[*English*]

Regularisation of Licence of Jaipur Stock Exchange

1678. SHRI GIRDHARI LAL BHARGAVA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Union Government have regularised the licence of the Jaipur Stock Exchange for its working;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI RAMESHWAR THAKUR): (a) and (b). Government have renewed the recognition of Jaipur Stock Exchange for a period of 5 years with effect from 9th January, 1990.

(c) Does not arise in view of answer to (a) & (b) above.

Repair of national Highway No. 28

1679. SHRI KAMLA MISHRA MADHUKAR: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the National Highway No. 28 from Mizaffarpur-Matihari-Raxaul is in dilapidated condition at several streches; and

(b) if so, the steps Government propose to take for repair and maintenance of the aforesaid road?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). National Highway No. 28 from Muzaffarpur-Matihari-Raxaul is generally in traffic worthy condition: During 1988-89 to 1990-91, flood damage/special repair works costing Rs. 32.00 lacs and improvement works costing Rs. 508.00 lacs were sanctioned for this stretch apart from the normal maintenance grant. Further, 2 estimates costing Rs. 103.50 lacs have also been sanctioned for improvement works during 1991-92.

[*Translation*]

'AGNI' Missile

1680. SHRI YASHWANTRAO PATIL: SHRI PRITHVIRAJ D. CHAVAN:

Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether two more tests of 'Agni' missile were planned for 1990 and 1991;

(b) if so, the reasons for the delay in conductions the tests, and by what time thing missile is likely to be inducted in the Armed Forces;

(c) whether the Government have any plan to develop missile on the lines of 'Patriot' missile; and

(d) if so the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) and (b). subsequent to the first successful launch of re-entry test vehicle 'Agni' in May 89, more launches were planned in the coming years but no specific launch programme was drawn. Next launch is planned to be undertaken during first half of 1992. 'Agni' is only a technology demonstrator, hence it is not being inducted into the Armed Forces.

(c) Surface-to-air missile 'Akash', already under advanced stage of development is of same class as Patriot missile of USA.

(d) 'Akash' is a mobile, medium range, surface to air missile, it will have capability for multi-target engagement as well as anti-ballistic defence.

Widening of N.H. No. 2

1681. SHRI S.N. VEKARIA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to widen and develop Ballabhgarh and Mathura section of the National Highway No. 2 to double lane road;

(b) if so, the funds proposed to be allocated for the purpose; and

(c) the time by which the construction work would be started?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (c). Widening of Ballabhgarh - Mathura Section of NH 2 to four-lanes is already in progress at a sanctioned cost of Rs. 132.91 crores.

Proposal to Freeze Increments to Central Govt. employees

1682. DR. P.R. GANGAWAR: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government propose to freeze the increments to Central Government employees in view of the grave economic crisisl;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government are aware of the resentment in employees by such a freeze; and

(d) if so, the reaction of the Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI SHANTARAM POTDUKHE): (a) No such proposal is currently under consideration of the Government.

(b) to (d). Question does not arise.

[*English*]

Fares of Buses Plying under S.T.A. Permits

1683. DR. C. SILVERA: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether fares of buses plying under S.T.A. permits in Delhi on D.T.C. routes have been revised recently;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the action taken by the Government against the owners of these buses for charging arbitrary fares?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The fares of Private State Carriages Buses have been revised in January, 1992 by State Transport Authority, Delhi to be at par with DTC's revised fares, as under:-

Distance	*Fare*
0 - 6 Kms.	Re. 1/-
6 - 16 Kms.	Rs. 2/-
Above 16 Kms.	Rs. 3/-

(c) Does not arise, in view of the answer to (a) and (b) above.